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REMARKS

New Claims 69 and 70 have been added. As a result, Claims 1-4, 12-16, 18-21, 38-42, 52-54, and 56-70 remain pending in the present application. Support for the new claims can be found in the Specification and claims as filed. Accordingly, no new matter is being added herewith. Reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and following comments is respectfully requested.

Support for Claim 69 can be found in original Claim 38 and the Specification. The limitation of the non-competitive or irreversible inhibitor is supported by Paragraphs [0038]-[0041] of the Specification.

Support for Claim 70 can be found in Paragraphs [0038]-[0041] of the Specification.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and comments, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is fully in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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